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City Places Third in the Virginia Municipal League Green Government Challenge

FALLS CHURCH, VA – The City of Falls Church received a third-place award in the inaugural Virginia Municipal League (VML) “Green Government Challenge.” The City’s total of 130 “green points,” out of a possible 200, qualified it for third place in the category for localities with populations less than 15,000.

Forty-one city, town and county governments participated in the challenge. Nineteen of them fell into the less than 15,000 population category. The cornerstone of VML’s Go Green Virginia environmental initiative, the “Green Government Challenge” is a friendly competition among VML member local governments to encourage the implementation of specific environmental policies and practical actions that reduce carbon emissions.

The challenge evaluated local governments in the areas of policy adoption, energy efficiency, green buildings, waste management, vehicles, land use and transportation, water and air quality, employee incentives, education and community participation, schools and innovation.

A plaque and a check for \$500, provided by Moseley Architects, were presented to the City at the VML Annual Conference in Norfolk on Monday, Oct. 20. In addition, the City received a certificate proclaiming it a “VML-Certified Green Government.”

The Virginia Municipal League is a statewide, nonprofit, nonpartisan association of city, town and county governments established in 1905 to improve and assist local governments through legislative advocacy, research, education and other services. The membership includes all 39 cities in the state, 156 towns and 12 counties.

For more information on the Green Government Challenge, visit www.gogreenva.org.

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